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DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE.

In obedience to the desire of a majority thereof, the Democratic State Committee are requested to meet at Bolton's Hotel, Harrisburg, on Tuesday, the 30th day of March, 1869, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to fix time of holding the Democratic State Convention.

WM. A. WALLACE,
Chairman.
4t. DAVID CALDWELL, Sec'ty.

A Bargain for Printers.

By the recent purchase of a Gordon Press and of the COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT printing office, we have acquired an unnecessary number of Presses and material. We therefore offer to sell one Washington Press—size No.4—in complete running order; one Washington Press Foolscap size—almost entirely new; together with a quantity of bourgeios, nonpareil, wood, metal and display type, imposing stones, cases, rules, and all the material necessary to start a first-class country printing office. If the material cannot be sold in bulk, it will be disposed of in lots. Terms cash. Address the editor by letter or in person. 3t.

County Convention.

MONDAY last, March 15th, being the day appointed for the holding of the County Convention, was an exceedingly unfavorable one. The storm and the very bad condition of the roads prevented a general attendance.

The Convention was called to order by John A. Funston, and organized by the appointment of John G. Quick as Chairman, and John G. Freeze and Philip T. Hartman as Secretaries. The credentials of delegates were then presented, when the following townships only were found to be represented:—Bloom, Briar Creek, Centralia Bor. Greenwood, Madison, Montour, Mifflin and Scott. John G. Freeze offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That C. B. Brockway & P. K. Herbein be Senatorial Conferees to meet similar Conferees from the counties of Montour, Northumberland and Sullivan, to select a Senatorial Delegate to the coming Democratic State Convention; and that they are hereby instructed to vote for Hon. Charles R. Buckalew as such Delegate.

John P. Hannon offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved, That W. H. Ent and Peter Billmeyer be Representative Conferees to meet similar Conferees from Montour County, to select a Representative Delegate to the coming Democratic State Convention; and that they do agree to the selection of Jesse C. Ammerman of Montour county as such Delegate.

John G. Freeze presented the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the ratification, by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, of the proposed XVth article of the Federal Constitution, changing, as it does, the fundamental law of the Commonwealth on questions not of Federal import, is for that reason beyond the power of the Legislature, is revolutionary in its character, is in violation of the rights of the people, and is destructive of the sovereignty of the State.

Resolved, That we welcome to our midst the Honorable Charles R. Buckalew, our fellow citizen, tendering him our congratulations upon the ability, efficiency and purity of his Senatorial career, and pledging him our confidence and support in the future.

Resolved, That in the selection of candidates for Governor and Judge of the Supreme Court, the best and ablest men in the party should be selected, without reference to local instruction or geographical position.

Resolved, That the watchword of the Democracy this fall, referring to the Negro Suffrage Amendment as the great absorbing question, should be "Repeal."

There being no other business before the Convention, on motion it adjourned.

Radical Trickery.

DAY after day add a fresh evidence of the rascality and trickery existing amongst the opposition leaders. A recent act of theirs will illustrate it.

About a year ago Peter Herdic, a wealthy man of Williamsport, in order to provide for his son-in-law, got a bill put through the Legislature, erecting a new Judicial District including Lycoming and Elk counties. Geary appointed Bentley to this position.

Last fall, contrary to Herdic's anticipations, Hon. James A. Gamble received the Democratic nomination for Judge, and was elected, notwithstanding the importation of 500 voters by Herdic.

Thwarted in this, he rushes again to the Legislature, and with means generally employed by lobbyists, succeeded in less than three hours in passing a bill through both branches of the Legislature, and signed by that party tool—John Geary. Everything is now made to bend to party;—courts, justice, legislatures, laws, and even the Constitution itself.

SINCE the close of the war, making "treason odious" has been the principal stock in trade of our opponents. In fact a military orator of this county always began and ended his speeches by stereotyped allusions to the "red-handed traitors who shed the blood of our heroes," (his wasn't spilled), and this was his main argument. Alas, for these loyalists, Grant, after continuing in office his father as Post Master at Covington, and appointing to lucrative positions his three brothers-in-law—his wife's cousins—all who subscribed for his new houses—caps the climax by making the rebel General Longstreet Surveyor of the Port of New Orleans! We wonder that the ghosts of those who fell at Gettysburg or were starved at Andersonville, do not appear and protest against this insult to a *loyal* nation. Is this the way to "make treason odious?" Cresswell, an original secessionist, in the Cabinet, Longstreet Surveyor of the Port of New Orleans! Why not at once make Jeff. Davis Secretary of the Treasury, and Breckinridge Attorney General?

AN ACT

To authorize the erection of a Poor House by the township of Bloom in the County of Columbia.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the provisions of the act "To authorize the erection of a poor house by the township of Wilkes Barre in Luzerne county," approved the second day of April A. D., 1860 be and the same are hereby extended to the township of Bloom in the County of Columbia.

SEC. 2. That John A. Funston, Jacob Schuyler, and B. F. Hartman of the township of Bloom, be and are hereby appointed Commissioners with all the powers conferred, and to discharge all the duties enjoined in said act until the March elections in the year 1871.

SEC. 3. That the provisions of the first section of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to authorize the erection of a poor house by the township of Jenkins, Borough of Pittston and township of Pittston in the county of Luzerne,' approved May 8th 1857," approved the 27th day of March, A. D., 1860, be extended to any township or townships in the County of Columbia, desiring to be made a part of the district for the support of the poor established by this act.

SEC. 4. At the request of any ten taxable inhabitants of any township in the county of Columbia, it shall be the duty of the Constable advertising the township elections in March to give notice that at the said ensuing election the qualified electors shall decide the question whether said township shall become a part of the district for the support of the poor erected by this act by voting "For a poor house" or "against a poor house," and the officers of the election shall return the result of this election in the same manner as they make other returns of the election.—*Provided*, That all assessments shall be upon the basis of the latest triennial assessment.

JOHN CLARK,
Speaker of the H. of R.

WILMER WORTHINGTON,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved the twelfth day of March, A. D., 1869. JNO. W. GEARY.

AN ACT

TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A POOR HOUSE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKESBARRE, IN LUZERNE COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, etc.*, That E. W. Sturdevant, William Hibler, John W. Horton, Alexander M'Clane and Thomas Quick, junior, of the township of Wilkesbarre, in Luzerne county be and are hereby appointed commissioners, whose duty it shall be, or a majority of them, as soon after the passage of this act as practicable, to determine upon, and with the assent of the court of the quarter sessions of Luzerne county, purchase such real estate as may be necessary and proper for the accommodation of the poor of the township of Wilkesbarre aforesaid; and it shall be lawful for said commissioners to take and receive proper conveyances therefor, in the name and for the use of the corporation mentioned in the second section of this act; and upon the receipt of such conveyance, to execute, in the name of said corporation, and deliver to the vendee or vendees, bonds or mortgages upon said real estate, to secure the payment of so much of the purchase money thereof as shall then remain unpaid, and also to erect thereon suitable buildings for the accommodation and keeping of the poor of said township; and they are also authorized and empowered to borrow such sum or sums of money as may in their opinion, be advisable and necessary, not exceeding four thousand dollars, to be used in the payment of the expense of purchasing said farm and erecting said buildings, and to secure the payment of the same by bonds and mortgages on said real estate.

SECTION 2. That the said E. W. Sturdevant, William Hibler, John W. Horton, Alexander M'Clane and Thomas Quick, junior, are hereby constituted directors of the poor in the township aforesaid, until successors are appointed and qualified, as hereinafter provided; and they, and their successors in office, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, in law, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, relative to the poor of said township, and shall have perpetual succession, by the name, style and title of the directors of the poor of Wilkesbarre township; and by that name may be sued, plead and be impleaded, receive, take and hold any lands, tenements and hereditaments, not exceeding the yearly value of three thousand dollars, to erect and keep in proper condition suitable buildings for the reception, use, accommodation and employment of the poor of said township, and to provide all things necessary for the lodging, maintenance and employment of the poor of said township.

SECTION 3. That the said E. W. Sturdevant, William Hibler, John W. Horton, Alexander M'Clane and Thomas Quick, junior, shall continue in office as directors until the annual March election in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, at which time the qualified electors of said township shall elect three persons to serve as directors of the poor of said township, one to serve for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and yearly thereafter the said electors shall elect one person to serve as director as aforesaid for three years; and the returns of all elections under this act, and proceedings connected therewith, shall be the same as in the case of the election of township officers: *Provided*, That any vacancy in the said office of director, by resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by the court of quarter sessions of Luzerne county until the next ensuing election of directors, when the said vacancy shall be filled by election, under the limitations aforesaid; and the said court shall have power to remove any director for gross neglect of duty or other misconduct, upon the petition of fifty or more of the aforesaid electors, upon a hearing of the complaint, after reasonable notice to the director complained of.

SECTION 4. That the said directors shall, before entering upon the duties of their office, be duly sworn or affirmed to faithfully discharge the duties of said office; and the persons herein appointed directors shall, as soon as they shall think proper after the passage of this act, appoint a treasurer, steward or superintendent, collector of poor taxes, and such other assistants as they shall deem necessary, who shall serve until successors are appointed; and in the month of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the month of January in each year thereafter, the said directors shall appoint a treasurer, a collector, a steward, physician, and such other assistants as they may deem necessary, to serve for one year, and until successors are appointed and qualified; the said treasurer and collector to give bonds, with sufficient security, conditioned for the faithful performance of their respective duties, in such sum as the directors may require; any of said officers or assistants may be removed by said directors for neglect of duty, or for improper conduct in office, and the vacancies, as well as all vacancies which shall otherwise occur, to be filled by them.

SECTION 5. That the said directors, any two of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business shall have power annually, as soon after the returns, of the annual assessments in said county as is practicable, to lay a rate or assessment, not exceeding one cent on the dollar at one time, upon all real and personal estates within the township aforesaid, for defraying the expenses of purchasing said farm, erecting said buildings, and maintaining the poor of said township, which shall be the same rate per centum in said township, and shall be levied upon the basis of the last adjusted valuation made for regulating county rates and levies; and having caused fair duplicates of such rate or assessment by them laid to be made, which shall be signed by them, shall issue their warrant to the collector of such tax therein, authorizing and requiring him to demand, receive and collect, from every person therein named, the sum wherewith such person stands charged, in the manner and by the same process as poor taxes are now by law collectable; and the said directors shall from the time of providing by them of suitable buildings for the accommodation of said poor, exercise and perform all the powers and duties which overseers of the poor may and are now required by law to exercise and perform within said township, except so far as such acts, duties and powers as are herein expressly prescribed or limited.

SECTION 6. That the said directors shall, as soon as they shall have provided suitable buildings for the accommodation of the poor of said township, file in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Luzerne county, a certificate, setting forth that such buildings are ready for the reception and accommodation of said poor; which certificate shall also contain a statement of the real estate purchased, with a brief description of the buildings thereon, the cost of procuring and fitting up the same; and they shall also thereupon give notice to the overseers of the poor of said township of their readiness to receive and accommodate the poor thereof, which said overseers are required forthwith to furnish said directors with a list of the names of the persons then a charge upon said township, or receiving relief therefrom, with the place of residence of each; and the said directors shall thereupon cause such poor persons, or such of them as they shall think it expedient, to be removed to said house so provided, and thereafter to be kept, lodged and maintained therein, so long as such persons shall continue a charge upon said township; and no person who shall refuse to go to said poor house, or to be maintained therein, shall be entitled to relief or support from said directors, or from said township, during the time of such refusal: *Provided however*, That said directors may, if they think proper, furnish assistance and afford relief to any poor persons, without requiring them to be removed to and kept at said poor house.

SECTION 7. That the said directors are hereby authorized to provide work and employment, for such poor persons as may be able to perform any labor, or pursue any employment, and if any poor person unless unable, by reason of age, infancy, disease, infirmity or other disability, shall refuse to perform such reasonable labor or service, as shall be allotted to or required of him or her by said directors, such person or persons shall not be entitled to, or receive any relief or assistance during such refusal, and shall immediately upon such refusal, be discharged from said poor-house.

SECTION 8. That the overseers of the poor of the township aforesaid, shall, as soon as notified by the directors, in the manner provided for in the sixth section of this act, cease to act as overseers of the poor in said township, except so far as may be required to settle, adjust and close their accounts as overseers with said township, or with persons with whom they have transacted business; and they shall, upon demand, deliver to the said directors, transcripts of all poor taxes remaining unpaid on duplicates in their hands, together with all books, papers, orders and documents, pertaining to their office as overseers, and shall also pay to the said directors, or to the treasurer appointed by them, all the moneys unexpended in their hands, belonging to the said township, and the said directors shall forthwith issue their warrant to the collector, for the collection of all such unpaid poor taxes, which shall be collected in the same manner as is provided for the collection of taxes assessed by said directors.

SECTION 9. That if upon a final settlement by said overseers of the township aforesaid, of their account as overseers, any balance shall be found due them or either of them, the said balance due shall be certified by the auditors making such settlement, and thereupon the said directors are required to issue their order upon the treasurer, in favor of such overseer or overseers for the amount or amounts so certified to be due.

SECTION 10. That the steward or manager of said poor house is hereby required yearly, on the first Monday in January in each year, to furnish the said directors, a statement of the income of said real estate, as nearly as the same can be done; also of excess of his expenditure over and above said income, the amount and kind of personal property then on hand, including grain, et cetera, the number of persons admitted and discharged during the year, with the number then therein, the length of time each remained, and the age and sex of each; the treasurer shall annually on the first Monday of each year, render to said directors, a just and correct account of his receipts and disbursements during the preceding year; and the said directors shall annually, in the month of January in each year, publish in one or more newspapers, that may be published in the borough of Wilkesbarre, a statement of the receipts, disbursements and expenditures of said corporation during the preceding year, with a statement of property, real and personal, then held by them.

SECTION 11. That the auditors of the township of Wilkesbarre shall constitute a board of auditors to settle the accounts of the directors; and which auditors shall meet for that purpose on the second Monday of January of each year and shall receive for their services each one dollar per day, for every day necessarily employed.

SECTION 12, That all orders issued for the relief of any poor person or persons, within said township, after the filing of the certificates mentioned in the sixth section of this act, shall be directed to the directors of the poor of Wilkesbarre township; and upon the receipt of such orders, said directors, or any one of them, shall immediately proceed to inquire into the circumstances, and if the person or persons therein named, are found by him to be entitled to relief, he or they shall furnish such relief, or cause such person or persons to be removed and taken to said poor house, and there kept and maintained until legally discharged; any one of said directors shall have authority to direct a person to be admitted into said poor house; but no person shall be discharged therefrom unless at his or her own request, except by the direction of at least two of said directors.

SECTION 13. That the said directors are hereby authorized to bind out the poor children under their care, whose parents are dead or unable to support them, as apprentices, in the same manner and under the same restrictions as the overseers of the poor may now by law put out such children; and the said directors shall exercise the same power and authority over all real and personal estate of any poor person under their care, as is now by law vested in the overseers of the poor.

SECTION 14. That the compensation of the treasurer, collector, steward, matron, physician, and other officers or assistants, shall be fixed by the directors, and the compensation of the directors shall be fixed by the board of auditors, at each yearly settlement, for the next succeeding year: *Provided*, That the compensation of said directors, from the passage of the act until the first settlement, shall be fixed by the board of auditors at the first yearly settlement; the said directors to furnish the said auditors a correct account of the time and expenses lost and incurred by them, in attending to their duties, from which account the said compensation shall be fixed and adjusted.

SECTION 15. That the said directors or treasurer, or any one or more of the tax-payers of said township, may, within twenty days from the yearly settlement by the auditors as aforesaid, appeal from such settlement to the court of common pleas of Luzerne county, in the same manner, and under the same provisions and regulations, that appeals from settlements by township auditors are now allowed.

SECTION 16, That no money shall be paid by the treasurer except upon orders drawn by the directors and signed by at least two of said directors.

SECTION 17. That all acts of assembly, or parts of acts, hereby supplied or inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

JOHN M. THOMPSON,
Speaker of the H. of R. pro tem.
WM. M. FRANCIS,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

WM. F. PACKER.

A Further Supplement

To an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the erection of a Poor House by the township of Jenkins, borough of Pittston, and township of Pittston, in the county of Luzerne," approved May eighth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the township of Lackawanna, in the county of Luzerne, be and is hereby annexed to and made a part of the district for the support of the poor named in the act to which this is a supplement; but before the said township of Lackawanna shall be entitled to the privileges of the said act, the overseers of the poor therein shall secure, to the satisfaction of the directors of the poor of Jenkins township, Pittston borough and Pittston township, such sum of money as would be the proportionate share of the said township of Lackawanna of the money already expended by the said directors in the purchase of land, and other improvements made thereon, as well as for money expended in finishing their poor house, and for stock on their farm; such proportionate share shall be ascertained upon the basis of the assessed valuation of property made taxable by law in each district, for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine; when such sum, so to be paid by the said township of Lackawanna, shall be ascertained and satisfactorily secured, the said township shall be entitled to all the immunities and privileges enjoyed by the present corporation, as named in the said recited act; but no part of the present poor funds of the said township of Lackawanna shall be paid over to the said corporation, that being expressly reserved to the said township of Lackawanna; and for the purpose of raising money to enable the said township of Lackawanna to pay the sum ascertained to be her share of the expenditures aforesaid, the overseers of the poor thereof are hereby authorized and empowered to assess, levy and collect a tax for that purpose.

Proposals for Farm for Poor House.

THE undersigned will receive proposals for a suitable farm on which provisions could be made for supporting the poor of such townships in Columbia county as may see proper to accept the above law.

The proposals to be in *writing*, and sent in before the 27th inst. Stating *number of acres, situation, price, terms, etc.*

It is desirable that the proposals should be sent in as *early* as possible, but no property will be purchased until it is known what number of townships will accept the law, by vote or special act of Assembly.

The Overseers of the Poor of the townships accepting the law, will prepare a list of the paupers to be brought in to the Commissioners on a day of which notice shall be given.

JOHN A. FUNSTON, } Poor
JACOB SCHUYLER, } House
B. F. HARTMAN, } Com.

Washington News.

WASHINGTON, March 10.

RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY WASHBURNE.

HON. E. B. WASHBURNE tendered his resignation to-day as Secretary of State. The resignation has been accepted, and a new nomination will be made to the Senate to-morrow.

GEN. DIX'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

Major-General Dix will soon return home. His resignation as Minister to France has been accepted, and the usual letter of recall has been forwarded by the Department of State.

WASHINGTON, March 11.

The President to-day made the following nominations to the Senate:

George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts, Secretary of the Treasury.

Hamilton Fish, of New York, Secretary of State.

General John A. Rawlins, Secretary of War.

OTHER NOMINATIONS.

The following names were sent to the Senate to-day by the President: E. B. Washburne, of Illinois, Minister to France; Frank Moore, Assistant-Secretary of Legation, Paris; A. K. Small, Marshal for the District of Columbia; C. A. Newcomb, Marshal for the District of Columbia; General Longstreet, to be Surveyor of the Customs for New Orleans: Sidney A. Stockdale, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Louisiana; Edward V. Kingsley, of New York, to be Secretary of the United States Legation at Madrid; Alexander Sharpe, to be Marshal of the United States for the District of Columbia; Chief-Engineer James W. King, to be Chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering. President Grant states at the bottom of this: "in place of Isherwood, whom I desire removed."

The Senate, having been in executive session a few minutes, confirmed Mr. Washburne as Minister to France in place of Mr. Dix resigned; also Messrs. Boutwell Secretary for the Treasury, Rawlins for War, and Fish for State.

A LOUISIANA ARRANGEMENT.

The members of Congress-elect from Louisiana, and the contestants of their seats, have mutually agreed, the former to resign, and the latter to withdraw all pretension, so that a new election can be held, and the protracted series of contests and investigations be precluded. This course has been adopted because the Conservatives-elect have no chance to be admitted, and because under Sheridan's manipulation the Radical contestants are sure of their game.

ALL IN THE FAMILY.

The President is giving an early exhibition of nepotism. Colonel James Casey, nominated to-day as Collector of New Orleans, and Dr. Sharpe, nominated as Marshal of this District, are brothers-in-law of Grant.

WASHINGTON, March 12.

AN ACT OF JUSTICE.

Mr. Randall, of Pennsylvania, has introduced a bill in the House to-day to extend the bounties allowed to soldiers to men who were drafted and served in the army. This is so plain an act of justice that it needs no commendation from any one.

GENERAL HANCOCK.

WASHINGTON, March 14.

Since General Hancock has been assigned to a distant command, not at all commensurate with his high rank, many of his warm friends in Pennsylvania have re-agitated the question of nominating him for Governor of that State. It may now be definitely settled that he does not intend to withdraw from that profession in which he takes such pride, unless humiliation should follow exile, and his self-respect should compel him to throw up his commission, to effect which such earnest efforts were made by certain politicians during the past year. In declining such a high compliment from his own State, General Hancock feels that he is not doing injury to any important interest, as there are many prominent men who are, perhaps, much better acquainted with the State's local interests, which absence in the country's service has prevented him from knowing thoroughly. Therefore, he does not wish to be an obstacle in the path of any worthy gentleman, who could probably administer the State affairs to better advantage than himself. These views having been known for some time by his intimate friends, it is certain that Gen. Hancock does not desire to be a candidate for civil office so long as he remains in the army.

THE ORIGINAL IMPEACHER.

Exit Ashley, the original and putative impeacher. He wanted to be Governor of Montana, and, to get him beyond the confines of civilization, every Radical Congressman signed for his appointment. The selection of another Ohioan, Campbell, to govern Wyoming, exhausts the claims of that State for such gifts, and Ashley retires on his curls.

GENERAL BUTLER to-day introduced to Secretary Boutwell a colored man from New Orleans, named Jonbert, and recommended him for appointment as assessor of internal revenue in that city. Jonbert said he did not desire the office from pecuniary considerations, but merely asked it to test the disposition of the party in power as to the rights of his race.

WASHINGTON, March 15.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE ACT.

The Judiciary Committee reported a bill to the Senate to-day recommending a suspension of the Tenure-of-office act until the next session of Congress. This measure is the subject of a great deal of speculation and comment in Congressional circles to-night. The compromise indicated appears to be acceptable so far as it goes, not only to the President, who has expressed himself in reference to it, but also to the majority of Congressmen.

A COLORED APPLICANT FOR OFFICE.

Professor Bassett, a colored man, connected with the colored High School of Philadelphia, is here, an applicant for the position of Minister to Hayti.

THE EX-PRESIDENT.

Ex-President Johnson will delay his departure for Tennessee until Thursday, the 18th inst. He will then go direct to Greenville, his old home, where he has not been for seven years. He will remain there a few days, and then proceed to Nashville and there develop his subsequent intentions.

CRIPPLED SOLDIERS

A committee of three, delegated by the Washington City Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, waited upon the President to-day to urge the claims of crippled soldiers for appointment to official positions. The President assured them that he felt a warm interest in this class of citizens, and plainly intimated that their claims would not be overlooked.

Robert Martin Douglas, son of the late Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, was to-day appointed Assistant Private Secretary to the President.

WASHINGTON, March 16.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE ACT

At this writing the indications point strongly to the final passage, by both houses, of the bill introduced in the Senate yesterday to suspend the operation of the above mentioned act until a definite or indefinite period. The pressure in favor of giving Grant a "loose rein" is daily growing stronger, and notwithstanding the objection of the "ins" to any such modification of the law as will render their removal less difficult, it is now very clear that the *outside* crowd will triumph and restore the old order of things, so far as to restore to the President the power to remove executive officers at pleasure.

GRANT HEARS SOME DEMOCRATIC TRUTHS.

J. P. Reed and William P. Simpson, Democratic members, who hold certificates of election to Congress from South Carolina, had an interview with the President to-day of some length. They frankly told him of the restrictions and disabilities under which the whites of their own and other States labor, and showed how completely and in what good faith the situation had been accepted by them. The President listened very attentively, and at the conclusion said: "Gentlemen—The disclosures you make ought to be known and understood and considered by every Union man and woman in the country." The gentlemen then withdrew.

COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

The impression here is that the President will appoint Colonel Parker of his former staff, Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Colonel Parker is a native Indian, having descended direct from one of the western New York tribes, and the opinion is, that he will make a good officer at the head of the Indian Bureau.

Pennsylvania Legislature.

A BILL from the House, appropriating $50,000 to meet a deficiency in the expenses for the support of orphans of deceased sailors and soldiers, was passed, on motion of Mr. Connell.

Mr. Miller, one making the lawful rate of interest for the loan or use of money, in all cases where no express contract has been made for a greater or less rate, seven per cent. per annum. The bill also repeals the second section of the act of May 28, 1858, regulating the rate of interest.

The committee appointed to decide upon the propriety of printing three volumes of Bates' History of Pennsylvania regiments, reported that it was expedient to print ten thousand copies.

Mr. Davis said that estimates of the cost of the work had been submitted to publishing firms in Philadelphia, and it had been ascertained that the State Printer would do the entire work within thirty cents as cheap as any publishing house.

The Senate bill declaring it to be a right to take a writ of error to the Supreme Court in cases, hereafter, where persons have been convicted of murder in the first degree, was passed.

Important to Soldiers and their Friends.

ACT OF MARCH 3, 1869.

Be it enacted, etc., That when a soldier's discharge states that he is discharged by reason of "expiration of term of service," he shall be held to have completed the full term of his enlistment and entitled to bounty accordingly.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the widow, minor children, or parents, in order named, of any soldier who shall have died, after being honorably discharged from the military service of the United States, shall be entitled to receive the additional bounty to which such soldier would be entitled if living under the provisions of the twelfth and thirteenth sections of an act entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1867, and for other purposes," approved July 28, 1866, and the said provisions of said act shall be so construed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all claims for the additional bounties granted in sections twelve and thirteen of the act of July 28, 1866, shall, after the first day of May next, be adjusted and settled by the accounting officers of the Treasury under the provisions of said act; and all such claims as may on the said first of May, be remaining in the office of the Paymaster General unsettled, shall be transferred to the Second Auditor of the Treasury for settlement.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all claims for bounty under the provisions of the act cited in the foregoing section shall be void unless presented in due form prior to the first day of December, 1869.

LOYALTY ILLUSTRATED.—General Longstreet has been appointed by Grant Surveyor of the Port of New Orleans; while Gen. Knipe, a hero of fifty battles, and who shed his blood like water in the Union cause, is removed to make way for Bergner, a descendant of the Hessians,—who held office during the war and got rich speculating in mules, and robbing the Government. This is the way Grant rewards "loyalty." The removal of such men as Knipe, and the banishment of Hancock—the appointment to lucrative offices, of all his relatives and those who have made him presents—illustrates well the petty character of the man who broke his pledged word to Andrew Johnson.

JUSTICE CARTER, of the District of Columbia, enters his "protest" against the proceedings of the Supreme Court of the United States, though out of respect for that tribunal he consents to obey its orders. We are glad of this, for it would be awkward just now to have the Supreme Court utterly extinguished, though we suppose Congress could easily make a new one.

WE call our readers' attention to the advertisement of Sharpless & Harman in another column. They have on hand a fine assortment of Iron and Wooden beam Plows of the best kinds, and for sale wholesale or retail.

Bloomsburg Market Report.

Wheat per bushel	$1 90
Rye " "	1 45
Corn " "	80
Oats, " "	70
Flour per barrel	12 00
Cloverseed " "	8 00
Flaxseed " "	2 00
Butter	45
Eggs	25
Tallow	12
Potatoes	1 00
Dried Apples	2 50
Pork	12
Hams	25
Sides and Shoulders	20
Lard per pound	25
Hay per ton	16 00

LUMBER.

Hemlock Boards per thousand feet	$16 00
Pine " " " (one inch)	18@20
Joist, Scantling, Plank, (Hemlock)	15 00
Shingles, No. 1 per thousand	8 00
" " 2 " "	7 00
Siding " " ft.	18 00

IRON—

No. 1 Scotch pig	$42
No. 2 " "	$40
Bloom	$54

Light Street Markets.

Corrected weekly by Peter Ent, wholesale and retail dealer in grain, flour & feed and general merchandize.

Wheat per bushel	$1 70
Rye " "	1 00
Corn " "	1 00
Buck Wheat	1 00
Oats	70
Wheat Flour per 100 lbs	5 50
Buck Wheat Flour	4 50
Corn Chop	2 50
Bran,	1 50
Butter per lb	50
Eggs per doz.,	20
Potatoes per bush	60
Dried Apples "	2 00
Flax Seed "	2 00
Beef per 100 lbs	9 05
Pork " "	14 00
Lard " lb	20
Onions "	40
Clover Seed " "	7 00
Timothy " "	3 00

Philadelphia Markets.

FLOUR—	
Northwestern superfine	$5.00@5.25
Northwestern extra	5.50@6.25
Northwestern family	7.50@7.75
Pennsylvania and Western superfine	5.00@5.50
Pennsylvania and Western extra	5.75@6.75
Pennsylvania and Western family	8.50@10.00
Pennsylvania and Western fancy	11.50@13.25
Rye flour	$8.00
WHEAT—Pennsylvania red, ⅌ bus	$1.65@1.75
" Southern " "	$2.00@2.25
" California " "	$2.30
" white " "	$1.15@1.10
RYE—Pennsylvania rye, ⅌ bus	$1.00@1.02
CORN—Yellow, "	$1.00@1.05
" White, "	$1.17@1.17
OATS—⅌ bus	70@75
PROVISIONS—Mess Pork, ⅌ bbl	$21.50
" Mess Beef, "	$21.50
" Dressed Hogs, ⅌ lb	8½@9c
" Smoked Hams "	17@19c
" Shoulders ⅌ lb	12@13c
" Lard, ⅌ lb	17@20c
SEEDS—Cloverseed ⅌ bus	$7.00@9.75
" Timothyseed ⅌ bus	$3.75
" Flaxseed "	$2.75
CATTLE—Beef Cattle ⅌ lb	9@10c
" Cows, ⅌ head	$35@50
SHEEP—⅌ lb	8@9c
HOGS—⅌ 100 lbs	$16@17.50

Marriages.

HOWER—HAUCK—On the 18th inst. by Rev. William J. Eyer, Mr. Urias Hower, to Miss Sarah Hauck, both of Roaringcreek township.

HAUCK—LONGENEEBGER—On the same day by the same, Mr. Daniel Hauck to Miss Mary Longenberger, both of Roaringcreek township.

LEWIS—STRUSSER—On the same day, by the same, Francis Lewis, to Miss Maria Strusser, both of Montour township.

GEISINGER—BUFF—On the 13th inst. by the Rev. J. M. Rice, Mr. David Geisinger to Miss Elizabeth Buff, both of Espy, Pa.

SMITH—HACKENBACH—At New Columbus Luz. co. on the 14th inst. by John Kuons J. P. John Smith to Mrs. Mary Ann Hackenbach both of Fairmount Pa.

POSTEN—MILLER—In Berwick on the 27th of Feb. 1869 by the Rev. S. O. Rhodes Mr. P. B. Posten, of Scranton, to Miss Jessie B. Miller of Berwick, Col. co. Pa.

Deaths.

BURKE—On the 10th inst. at New Columbus Mr. James Burke aged about 70 years.

Mr. Burke emigrated from Ireland many years ago, and lived in many localities until the year 1862 when he came to New Columbus, in which vicinity he resided until old age and other infirmities relieved him from hard work. His principal business for many years has been laying stone fence, although his head was almost bowed to the ground. He had no relations in America. He was liberal to a fault, and left about enough to give him a decent burial. He was an *honest* old man.

WALLEY—On Friday evening the 12th inst. at New Columbus, Sabra daughter of John and Elmira Walley aged 9 years, after many years affliction from infirmities resulting from disease.

ROBISON.—On the 8th inst. in Scott township Mrs. Mary E. Robison, wife of Wm. C. Robison.

PURSELL.—In Danville, on the morning of the 4th inst., after a lingering and painful illness Mrs. Ann Adelaide, wife of Dr. J. Pursell.

A MALARIOUS MONTH.

March, that gives us a new President, is also the inaugural month of many harassing disorders. Entangled in its fogs are the seeds of coughs, colds, and of that alternation of frigidity and fire, more widely known than admired, called fever and ague. The only way to avoid these "little unpleasantnesses," is to render the system strong enough to fight off the atmospheric poison that produces them, and the best way to endow it with this repellent power is to tone it with HOSTETER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

If a wayfarer were credibly informed that a ruffian was waiting at the next corner, he would doubtless turn in his tracks, and take a safer route to his destination. With just about the same amount of trouble, the attacks of diseases prevalent at this season may be evaded. Nay, the trouble will be less, for drug stores lie in every one's route, and every respectable druggist in the Union keeps on hand HOSTETTER'S BITTERS. The article is a staple of trade, and it would be as easy to find a grocery without sugar, as the stores of an apothecary without this popular tonic remedy.

In view of the experience of the nation with regard to the article, during the space of twenty years, it seems almost unnecessary to recapitulate its merit s to Americans. But as our population is increasing at the rate of a couple of millions a year, in the natural way and by immigration, it may be as well to hint to the rising generation and new arrivals, (the old settlers know all about it,) that HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS is the most wholesome and potent vegetable tonic ever manufactured; that it is a specific for debility, dyspepsia, biliousness, and miasmatic fevers; that it prevents, as well as cures, these complaints and their complications; that it is not "bad to take," and is absolutely harmless.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Whereas my wife Mary has left my bed and board without any cause or provocation, this is to give notice that all persons are forbidden to trust or harbor her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting. DANIELGEER,
Mar.19,'69-3t* Montour Twp. Mar. 17, 1869.

THE undersigned will take in exchange for Coal and Groceries, the following named articles:—Wheat, Rye, Corn, Oats, Potatoes, Lard, Ham, Shoulder, and side meat, Butter, Eggs, Hay, &c., at the highest cash prices, at his Grocery Store, adjoining their coal yard.

J. W. HENDERSHOT.
Bloomsburg Mar. 19,'69-1y.

BUILDING STONE.

The undersigned having purchased the Stone Quarry of Daniel Leiby, known as the Dry Saw Mill, mid-way between here and Danville, will be prepared to supply stone of a superior quality for cellar walls, sills, water-tables, steps, paving etc., at any point on the canal, at a reasonable distance either North-ward or South-ward, as soon as navigation opens.

Stone delivered in any part of Bloomsburg at moderate prices. J. SCHUYLER,
Mar 19,'69-3t Bloomsburg, Pa.

FOR LEASE.

The property known as the "Long Pond Hotel," situated in Sullivan County, on North Mountain, is for rent on reasonable terms.

The romantic situation of the place, its fine hunting and fishing grounds make it an unusually fine place for a summer resort.

Possession given April 1st 1869. For full particulars apply in person or by letter to

E. G. RICKETTS,
Mar.19,69-3t. Orangeville, Pa.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF JOHN REICHARD, DECEASED.

Letters of administration on the estate of John Reichard late of Madison twp., Columbia co., deceased, have been granted by the Register of said county to William Mastellar of Orange twp. All persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent are requested to make them known, and those indebted to make payment.

WM. MASTELLER,
Mar. 19,'69-6t. Administrator.

FOR SALE.

THE undersigned offers at private sale

THIRTY ACRES OF LAND

in a good state of cultivation on which is erected a dwelling house and